

## COOPERATIVE EFFORT REMOVES DEALER AND DRUGS FROM STREETS

DRANO officers were recently contacted by the Waterville, Ohio Police Department regarding a suspected heroin run. The Waterville Police Department advised DRANO that they had a suspect under surveillance who was driving from Ohio to Detroit for the purpose of purchasing heroin. DRANO officers successfully located and identified the suspect when he arrived in Michigan, and were able to conduct a controlled buy with the suspect and make the arrest. A search warrant was executed for the suspect's house where more than 63 grams of heroin, 22 grams of cocaine and plenty of marijuana were seized.

## WHAT'S COOKIN?!

What started out as a stolen vehicle complaint being investigated by Michigan State Police troopers turned into a cocaine bust. Recently, troopers from the Detroit Post were attempting to make contact with a Detroit resident reference a stolen vehicle. To the surprise of the troopers, the suspect came to the door wearing rubber gloves. The troopers became suspicious when the suspect became very nervous and resisted any attempt by the troopers to conduct their business. When he continued to resist, the troopers arrested the suspect. They found large amounts of cocaine and guns, and in the kitchen, noticed that the suspect was cooking crack cocaine. The suspect now faces charges for possession with intent to deliver cocaine and felony firearms.

## UNDERCOVER OPERATIONS PAY OFF

A DRANO undercover officer began making controlled purchases of cocaine from a suspect living in Taylor. The officer's purchases eventually led him to the actual source of the cocaine. Two suspects were arrested by DRANO officers for the intent to deliver more than 50 grams of cocaine, for being in possession of 250 grams of cocaine and 1,404 grams of marijuana, and having more than \$11,000 in drug money. Authorities are now seeking forfeiture of two homes used to sell drugs and a motor vehicle used for transporting drugs.

## COMMANDER'S COLUMN

### D/F/Lt. Darwin Scott

#### Michigan State Police



We are all well aware that there is a direct correlation between drugs and crime in our community. We also know that criminals do more than destroy lives, they also steal the sense of safety, well being and freedom in our community.

Armed with this knowledge, community leaders and law enforcement agencies from the downriver communities of Wayne County partnered with the Michigan State Police and federal agencies to establish the Downriver Area Narcotics Organization (DRANO). DRANO is a multijurisdictional team with one common goal in mind, removing drug dealers from our community's streets and neighborhoods, so you can live your life with a sense of peace and tranquility.

The concept of DRANO is based on the simple premise that no one agency has the ability or resources to respond single-handedly to the drug problems in our area. Therefore, we had to look at combining our talent and resources into a strong specialized drug enforcement team, aimed specifically at removing drug criminals from our streets.

### **DRANO's Goal: Removing drug dealers from streets and neighborhoods, and restoring a sense of peace and tranquility in our community.**

As Commander of DRANO I am convinced that by combining the talent, resources and technology of our local agencies with those of state and federal agencies, we are more successful in our drug fighting efforts. As you can see by our 2004 numbers, we investigated 190 cases, made 135 arrests and stopped the dissemination of more than 10 kilos of cocaine and over \$350,000 worth of drugs directed

toward our children, family and friends in the downriver communities.

As a citizen of Wayne County, you stand to benefit greatly by the collective efforts of DRANO. Whether

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using local street enforcement efforts, interdiction, education/prevention, or taking full advantage of the highly specialized crime fighting tools offered by state and federal agencies, DRANO officers are committed to making a difference in our community.

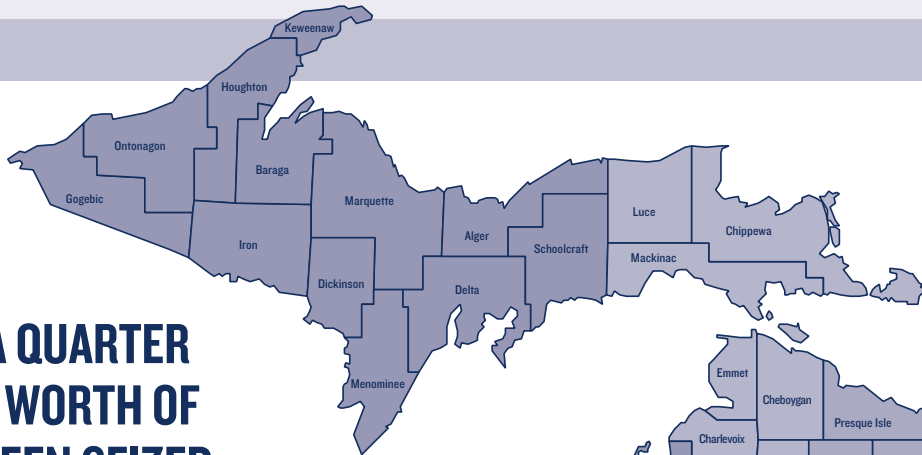
While cocaine and marijuana still seem to be the drugs of choice found in many of our communities, now on the scene, and positioned to spread like a brush fire, is methamphetamine. Counties across the state have seen an alarming increase in methamphetamine clandestine labs (cooking sites) and meth related activities as well.

Methamphetamine is like no other drug we have seen before in this area, especially due in part to the fact that it is manufactured (cooked) right here in our community and

not imported as is the case with other illegal drugs. As you read about methamphetamine in this newsletter, you will see how deadly and dangerous this drug really is. I encourage you to become aware of the dangers associated with methamphetamine, to report any suspicious activities, and to help DRANO officers in their efforts to keep this devastating drug from taking over our community.

**TO REPORT DRUGS AND DRUG DEALERS CALL (734) 479-5400**  
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# LOCAL MULTIJURISDICTIONAL DRUG TEAMS HAVING IMPACT ON MICHIGAN DRUG EFFORTS

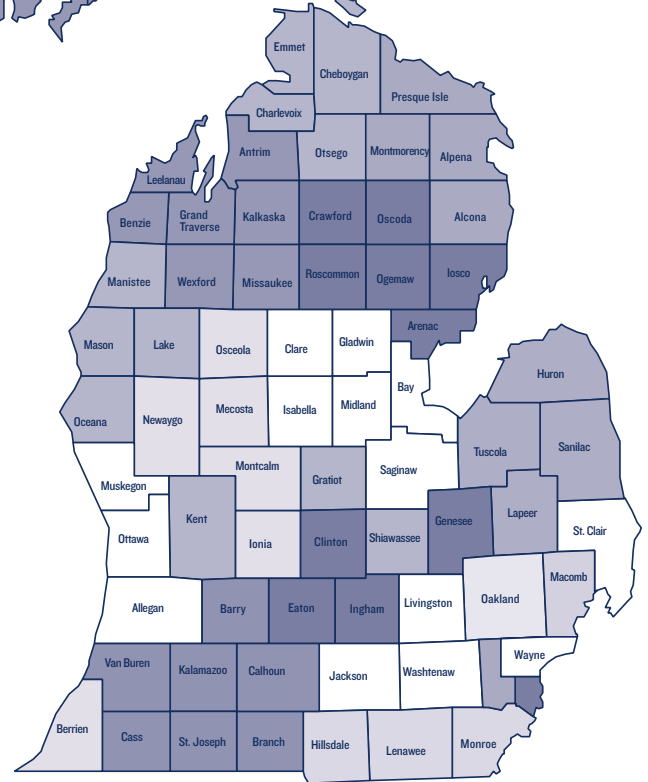


## SINCE 2000, ALMOST A QUARTER OF A BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF STREET DRUGS HAVE BEEN SEIZED IN MICHIGAN BY DRUG TEAMS

In the Spring of 1977, the Michigan State Police joined with local and county law enforcement agencies to begin a new concept in fighting drugs and drug related crimes in local communities. The concept was simple - no one agency had all the manpower or resources to adequately deal with the increase in drugs and drug related crimes finding its way into Michigan communities and neighborhoods. By combining local resources with the resources of the Michigan State Police, Criminal Investigation Division, along with state police and federal drug information identification and tracking systems, Michigan took a major step in bringing the fight against drug dealers and drug related crimes to the local level. And, it has worked!

Currently, multijurisdictional teams service 81 of 83 counties in the State of Michigan. Local officers from approximately 550 city and township law enforcement agencies, county deputies from 81 counties and troopers from the Michigan State Police are assigned to these task forces. The teams are funded in part through the Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy, Michigan State Police, and local governing bodies.

Just in the past four years, the multijurisdictional task forces have been responsible for arresting and removing approximately 14,450 drug criminals from our neighborhoods, streets and schools. In four years, the local task forces have also removed more than \$274,478,398 in street-drugs from local communities-drugs intended for our children and loved ones. As a result of the dedicated efforts of the multijurisdictional teams, tens of millions of dollars in assets and property that would have been used to continue drug trafficking in our communities - has been seized and removed from drug dealers.



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B.A.Y.A.N.E.T.	Bay Area Narcotics Enforcement Team	989/790-6581
C.M.E.T.	Central Michigan Enforcement Team	989/352-6738
F.A.N.G.	Flint Area Narcotics Group	810/233-3689
H.U.N.T.	Huron Undercover Narcotics Team	989/356-3395
J.N.E.T.	Jackson Narcotics Enforcement Team	517/784-2990
M.A.G.N.E.T.	Mid-Michigan Area Narcotics Enforcement Team	989/725-7254
M.E.T.	Metropolitan Enforcement Team	616/456-4801
S.A.N.E.	Straits Area Narcotics Enforcement	231/238-8692
S.S.C.E.N.T.	State, Sheriffs, Chiefs Enforcement Team	231/843-7045
S.T.I.N.G.	Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group	989/345-2304
S.W.E.T.	South-West Enforcement Team	269/962-1225
T.N.T.	Traverse Narcotics Team	231/922-0993
T.N.U.	Thumb Narcotics Unit	989/673-8600
T.C.M.	Tri-County Metro Narcotics Squad	517/394-5588
U.P.S.E.T.	Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team	906/346-9289
W.E.M.E.T.	West Michigan Enforcement Team	616/994-6520
C.O.M.E.T.	County of Macomb Enforcement Team	586/790-3990
W.W.N.	Western Wayne Narcotics	734/397-9811
D.R.A.N.O.	Down River Area Narcotics Organization	734/479-1710
L.A.W.N.E.T.	Livingston and Washtenaw Narcotics Enforcement Team	810/227-7897
O.M.N.I.	Office of Monroe Narcotics Investigations	734/848-3445

## DOWN RIVER AREA NARCOTICS ORGANIZATION

### TAKING DRUGS & DRUG CRIMINALS

# off our streets

Wayne

#### JUST THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG?

DRANO officers, working in cooperation with the Phelps County, Missouri Sheriff's Department, recently put an end to a major marijuana distribution ring. The Phelps County Sheriff's Department contacted DRANO when deputies seized more than 500 pounds of marijuana after stopping a semi-tractor headed to Detroit. The driver and passenger were arrested and agreed to cooperate in a controlled delivery of the marijuana to a supplier in Detroit. DRANO set up surveillance and observed the truck arriving in Detroit. When the truck stopped at Orleans and Wilkins streets to be unloaded, DRANO officers observed a Ford van arriving and making contact with the truck driver. The suspects were observed unloading seven large duffel bags. Arrests were made and the marijuana, along with more than \$26,000 in drug money, was seized. DRANO and the DEA Detroit Field Division are investigating further and more arrests are expected.

#### NOT CERTAIN WHERE I'M AT, OR WHERE I'M GOING!

Taylor Police Department observed a male walking southbound on Telegraph Road toward a local motel. It was obvious to the officers that the man was "high" on something. Questioning of the suspect proved to be worthless as the suspect could not provide reliable information concerning his condition or his whereabouts.

Officers took the suspect back to the motel that they originally saw him wandering toward and talked with the manager. The manager confirmed that the suspect was indeed staying at the motel. The manager then escorted the officers to Room 14 where the suspect was staying. Prior to entering the room, officers smelled a strong odor of gasoline and upon entering, observed drug paraphernalia, canisters of unknown liquids and a burner. Having attended methamphetamine awareness training, the officers were pretty certain they had an active meth lab operating in the motel room.



Officers also noticed an unconscious female lying on the bed. The officers called her name several times but were unsuccessful in getting her to respond. After several attempts, DRANO officers were able to get the female suspect to respond but like her partner, she wasn't able to answer any questions due to her condition. Both subjects were then transported to Heritage Hospital in Taylor for treatment as DRANO officers executed a search warrant on the motel room. Upon being discharged from the hospital, the male suspect was arrested. He is now serving 3 to 20 years for the manufacturing of methamphetamine.

#### DRANO 2004 DRUG FIGHTING STATS

TOTAL CASES

**209**

NUMBER OF PERSONS ARRESTED

**135**

DRUG SEIZED / PURCHASED

**\$393,338**

(STREET VALUE)



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